(b) and (c) Under IRDP, revised target for 1986-87 is to assist 35 lakh families. Against this, 25.25 lakh families have been assisted upto the end of January. 1987 which is 72.14% of the target. Under NREP, against the average rate of 290 million mandays of employment generation per annum as indicated in the Seventh Plan, the achievement upto January, 87 is 288 million mandays i.e. 99.31 per cent of the annual target. Under RLEGP against the average rate of 200 million mandays of employment generation per annum as indicated in the Seventh Plan the achievement upto December, 86 is 179.3 million mandays *i.e.* 89.65 per cent of the annual target.

Setting up of fertilizer plant under NAFTA

2024. SHRI GOPALA RAO RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have accorded permission to start a fertilizer plant under "NAFTA" at Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the estimated cost of the fertilizer plant?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): (a) An industrial licence was issued to Nagarjuna Fertilisers and Chemicals Limited for the setting up of a nitrogenous fertilizer project at Kakinada. The feedstock for the project was originally fuel oil, but was subsequently changed to naphtha.

(b) The licensed capacity of the project is 2.28 lakh tonnes of nitrogen per year. The project is estimated to cost about Rs. 626 crores.

Construction of houses for weaker sections

2025. SHRI GOPALA RAO RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any proposal from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh to construct 50,000 houses under the rural housing scheme for weaker sections, in view for the recent floods; and

(b) if so, the details of the proposal and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) In the Memorandum submitted by the Government of Andhra Pradesh seeking Central assistance in the wake of floods of August, 1986, the State Government, *inter alia* proposed construction of 50,000 houses to rehabilitate families of weaker sections affected by floods. Based on the report of the Central Team and recommendations of the High Level Committee on Relief thereon. the following amounts were approved for repairs of fully and partly damaged houses and relocation of fully damaged houses:

	Rs. lakhs
(i) Assistance for partially damaged houses . .	400.00
(ii) Assistance for fully damaged houses . . .	500.00
(iii) Assistance for relocation of fully damaged houses (weaker sections and tribals) .	275.00

Water supply to Visakhapatnam Steel Plant

2026. SHRI GOPALA RAO RAO: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have considered the request of

the State Government of Andhra Pradesh for Rs. 70 crores financial assistance to speed up the works on the Yeluru reservoir, intended to supply water to the Visakhapatnam Steel Plant;

(b) if so, what is the amount already released; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI K. C. PANT): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The first instalment of loan amounting to Rs. 10 crores has already been released.

(c) Does not arise.

Special drought relief to districts of Andhra Pradesh

2027. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to give special financial assistance to Mahaboobnagar, Cuddapah and Nalgonda districts of Andhra Pradesh in view of the serious drought situation; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. A ceiling of expenditure amounting to Rs. 48.38 crores has been approved for relief in the drought affected districts of Andhra Pradesh for the period upto 30th June, 1987. It is for the State Government to make suitable allocations to the affected districts.

Survey in Andhra Pradesh by the Geological Survey of India

2028. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whehter the Geological Survey of India has conducted surveys at Velpumadugu and Malapuram, Y-Rampur and Chinna Kekuntla areas in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MINES IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRIMATI RAM DULARI SINHA): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Construction of houses by the E.P.I.

2029. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal submitted by the Engineering Projects (India) Limited (E.P.I.) regarding the construction of houses in record time at the lowest possible prices, pending with the Ministry of Urban Development/D.D.A.

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposals; and

(c) what are the reasons for delay in accepting the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) The Engineering Projects (India) Limited (EPI) had sent a proposal to DDA which was discussed with their Engineers in July 1986 to use their plant lying somewhere in the Middle East.

(b) Engineers of EPI had explained to DDA that their plant could